

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2005 – 0530 MDT  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 4**

**CURRENT SITUATION:**

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 56 fires reported. Two new large fires were reported, one each in the Southwest and Eastern Great Basin Areas. One large fire was contained in the Eastern Great Basin Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona and California.

A Presidential Disaster Declaration was issued for Hurricanes Katrina and Rita in Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana and Texas. Three Area Command Teams are assigned (Ribar, Zimmerman and Williams-Rhodes). A transfer of command from Area Command Team (Rounsaville) to Williams-Rhodes has occurred. A transfer of command from Area Command Team (Zimmerman) to Williams-Rhodes will occur tomorrow.

Ribar's Team is at Foley, AL providing coordination for incident management operations in Mississippi for FEMA Region IV. Zimmerman's Team is at the Louisiana Emergency Operations Center in Baton Rouge, LA coordinating relief operations in Louisiana (FEMA Region VI). Williams-Rhodes Team is coordinating relief operations for Hurricane Rita in Texas (FEMA Region VI). The Marietta Mobilization Center in Marietta, Georgia continues to house and in-brief Incident Management Teams and other resources prior to assignment.

A link to a map with resources mobilized for hurricane response is located at [http://gacc.nifc.gov/sacc/predictive/intelligence/Resource\\_Map.pdf](http://gacc.nifc.gov/sacc/predictive/intelligence/Resource_Map.pdf).

**SOUTHERN AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:**

HURRICANE KATRINA SUPPORT, Federal Emergency Management Agency. Emergency Support Function (ESF) #4 at the state Emergency Operations Centers in Jackson, MS and Baton Rouge, LA are staffed.

Eight Type 2 Incident Management Teams (Dave Johnson, Larsen, Goheen, Allen Johnson, Stewart, Cowin, Whalen, and Carlson) are assigned.

Dave Johnson: managing a base camp at the Naval Construction Battalion Center at Gulfport, MS. Will assume management of a base camp in Vancleave, MS.

Larsen: managing the Holy Cross Base Camp under a unified command with New Orleans Fire Department and other fire departments, and is providing fire and emergency response to the City of New Orleans. The team is continuing to provide support to the St. Gabriel Mortuary Support Camp at St. Gabriel, LA.

Goheen: managing a mobilization center and base camp at Camp Beauregard, near Pineville, LA.

Allen Johnson: managing five distribution points in Hancock County from a base camp at Stennis Space Center, MS.

Stewart: assessing timber damage and coordinating wildfire pre-suppression and initial attack planning in Hammond, LA.

Cowin: managing receiving and distribution operations at Barron Point Camp north of Gulfport, MS. Demobilization has begun.

Whalen: managing a receiving and distribution center and supporting a mobilization center at Bossier City, LA.

Carlson: managing the Jackson Support Base in the New Orleans French Quarter and supporting several satellite camps in southern Louisiana.

A Logistics Management Team (O'Brien) is operating a base camp at Vancleave, MS. A transfer of command to Dave Johnson's Type 2 Incident Management Team will occur today.

HURRICANE RITA SUPPORT, Federal Emergency Management Agency. Emergency Support Function (ESF) #4 at the state Emergency Operations Centers in Austin, TX is staffed.

Three Type 1 Incident Management Teams (Feser, Molumby, and Sexton) are assigned.

Feser: managing a receiving and distribution site in Lufkin, TX, a base camp in Kirbyville, TX, and supporting distribution operations from Hurricane Rita Support Camp at Brookeland, TX.

Molumby: supporting distribution centers and several emergency operations centers in three counties, and managing a base camp at Ford Park Arena, Beaumont, TX.

Sexton: managing a 500 person base camp near the town of Cameron, LA and supporting the Lake Charles Regional Staging Area and several distribution sites at Lake Charles, LA.

**SOUTHWEST AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:**

STETSON, Arizona State. This fire is 22 miles northwest of Phoenix, AZ in brush and grass. High winds are impeding containment efforts. Rapid rates of spread were reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
STETSON	AZ	AZS	2,000	95	UNK	11	0	3	3	0	NR	ST

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:**

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
WAPAMA COMPLEX – WFU	CA	YNP	995	N/A	N/A	20	2	0	1	0	NR	NPS

YNP – Yosemite National Park

## EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
TOM	AZ	ASD	799	100	---	40	0	2	0	0	NR	BLM

ASD – Arizona Strip Field Office, Bureau of Land Management

### OUTLOOK:

**Weather Discussion:** Showers and thunderstorms associated with an upper level low pressure system will move across the Rocky Mountain Area extending down into Texas. Light showers over portions of the Northwest, Idaho, and western Montana. Offshore flow will weaken across California, however dry conditions continue.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
<b>Southern California</b> Mostly sunny.	Mountains: 60 to 80. Valleys: 75 to 90. Upper deserts: 75 to 85. Lower deserts: 85 to 95.	12 to 25%.	Variable 5 to 15 mph.



[http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp\\_sixminutes.php](http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php)

### **UNFAMILIAR WITH WEATHER AND LOCAL FACTORS INFLUENCING FIRE BEHAVIOR**

- Can you ask questions of local experts? What kinds of questions would you ask?
- Does the operational period plan give you adequate weather and information? What kinds of weather forecasts can you get? What other weather or local information do you look for in the shift plan?
- Can you get information from resources that have been on the fire? What questions will you ask of the crew that you are replacing?
- Is there any other way to obtain information? List common sources of information on weather and local factors.
- To reduce risks:
  - Base all actions on current and expected fire behavior.
  - Post lookouts.
  - Establish escape routes and safety zones.
  - Take extra caution! Discuss a fire where you relied on information from the local unit (perhaps where your fire knowledge and experience was very different from how they did things—Southeast or Alaska).

**FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES	1				22	1	24
	ACRES	0				40	1	41
Southern California	FIRES					3	2	5
	ACRES					3	0	3
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1				1	2
	ACRES		406				1	407
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2				1	3
	ACRES		0				5	5
Southwest	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						5	5
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					19	1	20
	ACRES					509	1	510
TOTAL	FIRES	1	3	0	0	44	8	56
	ACRES	0	406	0	0	552	13	971

**FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	4	96	59	16	404	28	607
	ACRES	4	1,917,880	1,633,875	3,409	849,051	337	4,404,556
Northwest	FIRES	176	234	29	38	1,385	888	2,750
	ACRES	28,097	42,537	5,797	122	73,872	99,958	250,383
Northern California	FIRES	156	31	10	15	2,041	488	2,741
	ACRES	247	24,898	14	101	26,199	8,321	59,780
Southern California	FIRES	126	118	13	55	2,547	665	3,524
	ACRES	1,283	5,967	136	74,222	47,817	10,119	139,544
Northern Rockies	FIRES	490	64	31	12	640	662	1,899
	ACRES	20,353	8,824	9,795	25	37,819	54,740	131,556
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	52	706	13	42	697	573	2,083
	ACRES	23,199	636,084	9	2,844	149,178	105,753	917,067
Western Great Basin	FIRES	9	508	19	26	109	115	786
	ACRES	3,069	882,021	13,312	258	114,122	18,070	1,030,852
Southwest	FIRES	1,553	361	39	52	1,313	1,470	4,788
	ACRES	34,712	159,215	9,639	364	130,244	416,408	750,582
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	284	487	30	22	604	522	1,949
	ACRES	6,874	8,969	553	30	30,521	23,681	70,628
Eastern Area	FIRES	595		36	54	10,369	564	11,618
	ACRES	7,114		1,732	963	67,953	9,977	87,739
Southern Area	FIRES	213		180	37	20,844	538	21,812
	ACRES	26,883		42,064	2,474	266,420	14,311	352,152
TOTAL	FIRES	3,658	2,605	459	369	40,953	6,513	54,557
	ACRES	151,835	3,686,395	1,716,926	84,812	1,793,196	761,675	8,194,839

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	70,185
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	4,547,777

\*\*\* Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments. \*\*\*

**PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						52	52
Northern California	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						65	65
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						6	6
	ACRES						807	807
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	7	7
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	924	924

**PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					4		4
	ACRES					626		626
Northwest	FIRES	19	114	87	3	1	244	468
	ACRES	6,536	26,734	4,758	265	1	21,627	59,921
Northern California	FIRES	12	23	142	32		186	395
	ACRES	188	1,180	25,800	4,220		20,136	51,524
Southern California	FIRES	1	5	6	19		80	111
	ACRES	1,000	282	584	4,306		7,128	13,300
Northern Rockies	FIRES	9	35	108	4	36	338	530
	ACRES	495	4,817	24,014	103	2,491	39,482	71,402
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	37	5	10	19	75	147
	ACRES	1	19,743	1,459	58	1,485	20,752	43,498
Western Great Basin	FIRES		14	11	3		2	30
	ACRES		6,418	3,461	348		2,903	13,130
Southwest	FIRES	8	47	2	12		307	376
	ACRES	6,342	52,110	3,210	17,697		82,082	161,441
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	30	47	104	19	26	114	340
	ACRES	3,871	22,199	20,684	11,251	5,001	36,752	99,758
Eastern Area	FIRES	44		484	36	1,124	182	1,870
	ACRES	17,741		68,717	4,423	70,214	39,816	200,911
Southern Area	FIRES	34		157	58	404	1,119	1,772
	ACRES	7,180		83,558	54,868	270,630	901,702	1,317,938
TOTAL	FIRES	158	322	1,106	196	1,614	2,647	6,043
	ACRES	43,354	133,483	236,245	97,539	350,448	1,172,380	2,033,449

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**WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			2	13			15
	ACRES			27,225	141,624			168,849
Northwest	FIRES				1		1	2
	ACRES				2		36,750	36,752
Northern California	FIRES				3		5	8
	ACRES				441		1	442
Southern California	FIRES				14		18	32
	ACRES				9,056		2,345	11,401
Northern Rockies	FIRES				10		95	105
	ACRES				55		63,914	63,969
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		3		3		96	102
	ACRES		183		166		84,874	85,223
Western Great Basin	FIRES		9		1			10
	ACRES		1		140			141
Southwest	FIRES	1			2	1	41	45
	ACRES	3,680			9,356	5	105,968	119,009
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		34		5	2	9	50
	ACRES		2,581		1	1,762	2,819	7,163
Eastern Area	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						11	11
Southern Area	FIRES				13			13
	ACRES				3,641			3,641
TOTAL	FIRES	1	46	2	65	3	267	384
	ACRES	3,680	2,765	27,225	164,482	1,767	296,682	496,601

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**CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:**

PROVINCES	FIRES LAST WEEK	HECTARES LAST WEEK	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	17	72	935	34,954
Yukon Territory	0	0	82	187,438
Alberta	5	2	1267	60,510
Northwest Territory	1	431	260	224,526
Saskatchewan	0	0	320	213,523
Manitoba	0	0	245	72,680
Ontario	88	36	1915	42,310
Quebec	31	294	1363	833,560
Newfoundland	0	0	144	21,429
New Brunswick	1	0	304	249
Nova Scotia	17	5	292	511
Prince Edward Island	0	0	10	42
National Parks	2	0	92	36,325
<b>Total</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>840</b>	<b>7,229</b>	<b>1,728,058</b>

\*\*\*Weekly updates will be provided starting 9/7/05.\*\*\*

**RESOURCES STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES**

AREA	CREWS FED	CREWS ST/OT	ENGS FED	ENGS ST/OT	HELI FED	HELI ST/OT	AIRT FED	AIRT ST/OT	OVRHD FED	OVRHD ST/OT
Alaska										
Northwest			4				1			
Northern California	6		13				1			
Southern California	2				1		13		5	
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin			6						25	
Western Great Basin										
Southwest				3		3			1	3
Rocky Mountain										
Eastern Area										
Southern Area							2			
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>3</b>

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